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TITLE OF INVENTION: ARRAY SUBSTRATE AND REFLECTIVE-TRANSMISSIVE TYPE LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY APPARATUS HAVING THE SAME

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Election/Restrictions

,Claim 8,17,19-25,28-31,33,35-46 are directed to an allowable product. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in MPEP § 821.04(B), claim 38-40,44,45, directed to the process of making or using an allowable product, previously withdrawn from consideration as a result of a restriction requirement, are hereby rejoined and fully examined for patentability under 37 CFR 1.104.

Because all claims previously withdrawn from consideration under 37 CFR 1.142 have been rejoined, the restriction requirement as set forth in the Office action mailed on 5/3/2010 is hereby withdrawn. In view of the withdrawal of the restriction requirement as to the rejoined inventions, applicant(s) are advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application. Once the restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 8,17,19-25,28-31,33,35-46 are allowed.

Regarding Claim 8.

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Jin et al (Fig 10) discloses a first substrate (32), a first insulating layer (36) formed on the switching device; a pixel electrode (34) formed on the first insulating layer (36) and connected to the switching device (68), a second insulating layer (62) formed on the pixel electrode (34) and in the first area, a reflecting plate (38) formed on the second insulating (62) the reflecting plate partially overlaps (the reflector overlaps all the transparent regions to make it a reflective region, thus, overlaps with the second area.

Jin et al does not disclose nor would it be obvious to one of ordinary skilled in the art to disclose a third insulating layer formed between the pixel electrode and the reflecting plate.

Claims 33,35-40 depend on Claim 8, therefore are allowable.

Regarding Claim 41,

Shigeno et al discloses (Fig. 1) a substrate (2) having a first area (very broad and be construed as anywhere, circled below) and a second area (very broad, and can be construed as being anywhere, see figure below) a switching device (G,D,S) formed on the substrate (2); a first insulating layer (12) formed on the switching device; a second insulating layer (14) formed on the first insulating layer (12) and in the first area; a pixel electrode (4x) formed on the first insulating layer (12) and connected to the switching device (D,13); a third insulating layer (15) formed on the second insulating layer (14); and a reflecting plate (18) formed on the third insulating layer (15), wherein the reflecting plate is formed in the first area (shown below).

The prior art does not disclose including a third insulating layer formed between the pixel electrode and the reflecting plate.

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Claims 42-46 depend on Claim 41, therefore are allowable.

Regarding Claim 17,

Kim et al al (US 6720580) discloses (Fig. 3b) a switching device (22a) formed in a pixel area that is defined by a gate line (22a) and a source line disposed on the first substrate, the gate line extended in a first direction and arranged in a second direction substantially perpendicular to the first direction, the Source line extended in the second direction and arranged in the first direction (shown in Fig. 3a); a pixel electrode (29) connected to a drain electrode (25b) of the switching device; and a reflecting plate (27) disposed on the pixel electrode (29) so as to define a reflecting area from which the natural light is reflected and a transmitting area through which the artificial light is transmitted, wherein the pixel electrode (29) has a first height at the reflecting area (shown below) and a second height at the transmitting area, wherein the first height is greater than the second height with respect to the first substrate (21), and wherein the reflecting plate (27) has a first edge extended to the transmitting area an insulating layer (26) formed on the switching device and the first substrate with a first contact hole through which the drain electrode (25b) is partially exposed; and an organic insulating layer (28)(Column 6, row 64) formed on the reflecting area with a second contact hole corresponding to the first hole so as to expose the drain electrode (25b).

Kim et al does not disclose the reflecting plate has a first edge extending into the second area (transmissive area). And a protecting layer formed on the pixel electrode

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connected to the drain electrode through the second and first contact holes wherein the reflecting plate is formed on the protecting layer.

Nakashima et a (US 6774965) I (Fig. 9) discloses the reflecting plate (10,11) having a first edge extended to the two sides of transmitting area to avoid alignment defect of liquid crystals due to a difference in level on the organic layer which decreases display quality (Column 8, rows 13-25).

Jang discloses (US 5767927) (Fig. 2d) a protecting layer (19) formed on the pixel electrode (18) connected to the drain electrode through the second and first contact holes to orientate the liquid crystal molecules.

The prior art does not disclose nor would it have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art to disclose an insulating layer and organic insulating layer formed on the first area with a second contact hole corresponding to the first contact hole so as to expose the drain electrode; and a protecting layer formed on the pixel electrode connected to the drain electrode through the second and first contact holes wherein the reflecting plate is formed on the protecting layer.

Claim 19,20,28,29 depend on Claim 17, therefore are allowable.

Regarding Claim 21

The prior art does not disclose nor does not reasonably a pixel electrode partially formed on the insulating layer, and connected to the drain electrode through the contact hole; an organic insulating layer formed on the insulating layer and the pixel electrode in the reflecting area to expose the pixel electrode corresponding to the tranmitting area;

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an inter-insulating layer formed on the organic layer corresponding to the reflecting area; and a reflecting plate disposed on the inter-insulating layer so as to define the reflecting area and the transmitting area, the reflecting plate having a first edge extended to the transmitting area to connect the reflecting plate to the pixel electrode.

Claims 22-25,30,31 are dependent on Claim 21 and are therefore are allowable.

It is the examiners opinion that these limitations show novelty over the prior art and are therefore allowable.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to LUCY P. CHIEN whose telephone number is (571)272-8579. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F 8:30-5:00.

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